

No. 05/127

The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic Republic of the Congo and has the honor to refer to the Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo Regarding the Reduction of Debts Owed to, Guaranteed by, or Insured by the United States Government and its Agencies (herein after referred to as the "Agreement"), signed in Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of the Congo, on September 14, 2005.

The Embassy of the United States has the further honor to refer to the message from the Chairman of the Paris Club of September 19, 2005 advising the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo of the decision of the Paris Club to extend the consolidation period in the Agreed Minute on the Reduction of the Debt of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, signed in Paris on September 13, 2002, and as amended on November 22, 2003. In

keeping with this decision, the Embassy of the United States of America proposes to amend the Agreement as follows:

Delete the current text of Article II, paragraph 3 of the Agreement and replace it with the following text: "Consolidation Period, means the period from July 1, 2003 through March 31, 2006, inclusive."

If so amended, the amounts consolidated and reduced will be adjusted accordingly, in conformity with Article II, paragraph 4 and Article III, paragraph 1 of the Agreement. The Government of the United States of America will undertake to notify the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo of those amounts in the coming weeks.

If the foregoing is acceptable to the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the Embassy of the United States of America proposes that this note and the Ministry's reply note shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement, which shall enter into force upon written notice to the Democratic Republic of the Congo from the United States that all U.S. domestic legal

requirements for entry into force of the amendment have been fulfilled.

The Embassy of the United States of America avails itself of the opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic Republic of the Congo the assurance of its highest consideration.

Embassy of the United States of America,

Kinshasa, November 8, 2005.





Translation

**Democratic Republic of the Congo
Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation**

The Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Democratic Republic of the Congo presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America at Kinshasa and, with reference to diplomatic note No. 05/127 of November 8, 2005, has the honor to inform it that the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo is pleased to accept the amendment proposed therein to the Agreement of September 14, 2005, Regarding the Reduction of Debts Owed to, Guaranteed by, or Insured by the United States Government and its Agencies.

The Ministry requests the Embassy to convey this information to its government.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Democratic Republic of the Congo thanks the Embassy of the United States of America at Kinshasa for its unequivocal cooperation in this regard and avails itself of this opportunity to renew to it the assurances of its high consideration.

Kinshasa, November 30, 2005

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Embassy of the United States of America,
Kinshasa.